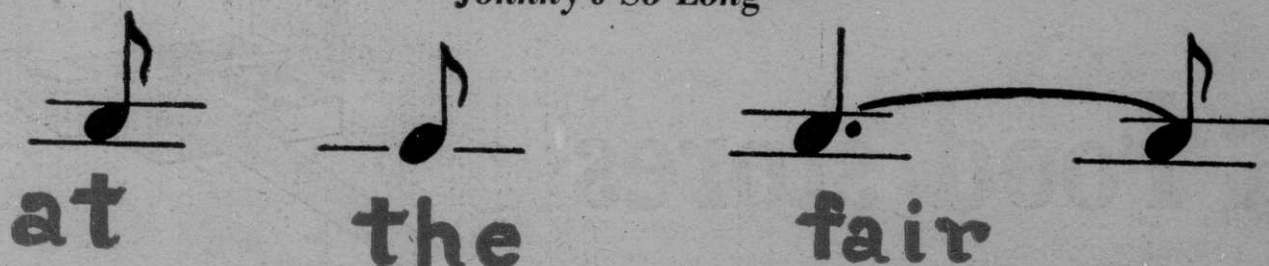


MONTANA Farmer-Stockman

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'Johnny's So Long—'



Oh, dear! What can the matter be?
Dear, dear, what can the matter be?
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Johnny's so long at the fair.
He promised to buy me a trinket to please me,
And then for a smile, O he vowed he would
tease me.
He promised to bring me a bunch of blue ribbons
To tie up my bonnie brown hair.

AND JUST AS in the old song, Johnny will be "so long at the fair" in 1950. But there'll be a big difference. He'll be there so long because there'll be so much to see and to do at all the Montana and Wyoming fairs this year but mostly because he'll be there with the biggest display of livestock and farm products ever. He'll be getting plenty of "pretty blue ribbons" too, but he'll be winning them, not buying them.

And there'll be no young lady waiting impatiently at home for Johnny's return. She'll be right at the fair with him and winning her share, maybe a little more, of those pretty blue ribbons.

Season Starts at Shelby

The season gets under way this weekend, July 20 to 23, with the Marias fair at Shelby. From then on through the next six weeks there will be at least one and sometimes two fairs each week. Concluding the schedule will be the Northwest Montana fair at Kalispell, Sept. 14-16.

Again the first of the A circuit fairs in Montana will be the North Montana State fair at Great Falls, July 31 to Aug. 5. The second, the Midland Empire fair at Billings, will be held the following week, Aug. 7 to 12. The two A circuit events in Wyoming are the Central Wyoming fair at Casper, Aug. 16 to 19, and the Wyoming State fair at Douglas, Aug. 30 to Sept. 2.

Both the major Montana events at Great Falls and Billings assure new highs in entertainment and exhibits. Both will feature the Barnes and Carruthers brilliant new musical production "State Fair Revue of 1950" each night and the huge Siebrand Bros. circus and carnival on their midways.

Rodeos and Races

Rodeos and thoroughbred races will be featured each afternoon, with the nation's top stables competing in the races for purses totaling over \$20,000 at each fair. Gene Autry's World Championship rodeo will again be presented at Great Falls.

More than \$45,000 is offered in premiums at the North Montana State fair. Of this, more than \$30,000 will be given for livestock and agricultural exhibits. Premiums for the beef cattle division alone total \$12,365, while those for dairy cattle amount to \$7,596, swine \$1,620 and poultry \$4,500. Premiums for grain, vegetable and fruits total to \$5,000.



FIRST
PRIZE

1950 Montana-Wyoming Fair Dates

A CIRCUITS

North Mont. State Fair, Great Falls, Mont.	July 31-Aug. 5
Leo C. Dalley, Secretary-Manager	
Midland Empire Fair and Rodeo, Billings, Mont.	Aug. 7-12
Harry L. Pitton, Secretary-Manager	
Central Wyoming Fair, Casper, Wyo.	Aug. 16-19
R. S. Latta, Manager	
Wyoming State Fair, Douglas, Wyo.	Aug. 30-Sept. 2
Earl W. Farnsworth, Secretary	

B CIRCUITS

Marias Fair, Shelby, Mont.	July 20-23
Clifford D. Coover, Secretary-Manager	
Central Montana Fair, Lewistown, Mont.	July 27-29
Henry J. Otten, Secretary	
Phillips County Fair, Dodson, Mont.	Aug. 5-6
William B. Black, Secretary	
Hill County Fair, Havre, Mont.	Aug. 10-12
Earl J. Bronson, Secretary	
Valley County Fair, Glaskow, Mont.	Aug. 17-19
Stephen J. Urs, Secretary	
Eastern Montana Fair, Miles City, Mont.	Aug. 24-26
J. H. Bohling, Director-Secretary	
Richland County Fair, Sidney, Mont.	Aug. 31-Sept. 2
Don Nutter, Secretary	
Chouteau County Fair, Fort Benton, Mont.	Aug. 18-19
Dean Elliott, Secretary-Manager	
Park County Fair, Powell, Wyo.	Aug. 20-22
Paul McCalmon, Secretary	
Rosebud County Fair, Forsyth, Mont.	Aug. 21-23
Harley W. Roath, Secretary	
Fallon County Fair, Baker, Mont.	Aug. 25-27
Eugene Hoff, Secretary	
Dawson County Fair, Glendive, Mont.	Aug. 28-30
Marion T. Hedebrand, Secretary	
Blaine County Fair, Chinook, Mont.	Sept. 2-4
Jim Staff, Secretary	
Big Horn County Fair and Rodeo, Basin, Wyo.	Aug. 24-26
Dr. M. B. Walker, Manager	
Powell County Fair, Deer Lodge, Mont.	Aug. 25-27
Ted Rule, Secretary	
Ravalli County Fair, Hamilton, Mont.	Sept. 7-9
Glen Chaffin, Secretary	
Northwest Montana Fair, Kalispell, Mont.	Sept. 14-16
C. Winston Borgen, Secretary	

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